

WORTHLESS 10-INCH GUN.

A BREACH PIN THAT DID SOME \$20,000 WORTH OF DAMAGE.

All Efforts to Dislodge It Fail—An Innocent Man Suffers for a Superior Who Escapes Censure—Work Spoiled by Mismanagement.

That refractory breech pin in the 19-mile gun in the bureau of ordnance at the navy yard still continues to stick, and all the known skill of the political foreman has been successful in causing it to move. Various means have been resorted to, but all to no avail. In fact, the pin and gun seems to have that stubbornness which is often the characteristic of the political foreman. And Foreman Burton decided to try a remedy that had often been successful in causing a stubborn mule to start; viz., to build a fire underneath. So he caused a fire to be kindled under the gun, and the foreman wanted to keep the breech pin hot, he caused the breech to be filled with gun. As a result the snow melted as fast as it was placed in, and that remedy was dropped.

Donated. Thus \$20,000 worth of world has been spoiled by incompetency and mismanagement.

The reporter of the Republican visited the navy yard last week in search of news and ascertained the foregoing. He also ran across an act of great injustice in connection with the same gun whereby an innocent man was made to suffer in order that a suspicious might be cast upon the culpability of the case are those: When the breech pin was found to be fastened in the gun a month and a half ago, the man who was the chief was summarily discharged, and for five weeks was out of the yard. On Wednesday last he was reinstated, and on Friday the first time knew the result of his discharge. When informed by Capt. McCormick that he was reported to him that he was the man who put the breech pin in the gun the last

being anxious to get at the facts of the case, the reporter called on Mr. Ellis, the communist in question, and was cordially received, but on making known the object of his visit, Mr. Ellis begged to be excused from answering any questions and would never return to discuss the report. He said that other sources would be able to check the report was substantially correct, and that Mr. Ellis had nothing to do with the gun after he finished his work there. An employee of the Ordnance Bureau informed the reporter that the gun was not used in his work on the gun that the breech pin was all right and could be removed and put back easily. But that after he had turned the gun over as finished the pin was broken.

the other building. Afterwards it was turned and when examined later the man was found to be a member of the party to tell who had handled the pin after Mr. Ellis finished his work the employee declined, and stated that he would be charged at once if it were known of his taking it.

Now the question that naturally arises is who is the party that was saved by placing the blame on this humble mechanic. Is the foreman? Secretary Whitney or Chief Seward should at once investigate this case and point out the wrong done Mr. Ellis, and place it where it rightfully belongs.

General Society Notes.

A pleasant reception was given Friday evening in honor of F. D. Hill, the new

Mr. John Campbell.

—Miss Mulrow and the following young ladies of Newwood Institute received word from Mrs. Senator Walthall on the 25th instant at 813 Vermont avenue: Misses Walthall, Barry, Stockdale, and Phelps, all from Mississippi. This state can boast of so many fair daughters and stately matrons. Miss Senator Ingalls will not receive a day.

—Mrs. Gen. Sheridan will not be at home to morrow.

A large and brilliant company assembled at the drawing room of the residence of the governor, legitimate to enjoy a musical and dramatic entertainment.

programme of uncommon excellence. Mr. Anton Metzner placed his guests under the elegance which he has at Washington. Kaspar and Mrs. Wulpe sang well. Smetenly, Mrs. King and Mrs. Pease and Mr. Rakeman, with his wonderful violin, charmed by their various artists. Mrs. Cabell was assisted in receiving and entertaining by a fair body of pupils: The Misses Parker, of Alabama, the Misses Aderson and Mills, of Texas; Miss Moritz of Illinois; Miss Skiles, of Wisconsin; John A. Hays, of Wisconsin; Mr. Winton; Misses Stockdale, Paelpa, Bland and Walshall, of Mississippi, and J. Bridgford, of Kentucky. Among the guests of the occasion were: Mrs. Senator David C. Brewster, of New York; Mr. Representative and Mr. Gail, Senator

Entertainment to Teachers.
An art and literary entertainment will be given after the lecture tomorrow evening. The chief feature of the affair will be the reading of the "Chalk Talk" by one of our teachers. This is a new method of instruction devised by Mr. J. W. Anderson, which has been found to interest students and teachers. The affair will be given at the hotel of the Persimmon Tree kindergarten.

Superior Shirt Maker.
J. W. Anderson, for many years with H. H. Taylor, has gone into business for himself and will make shirts of superior quality.

FULTON'S BOON, that has created such
breed and set the regions world agog
on sale at Brennan's Monday and Tuesday.
There will be only two days' sale. Four
times the price is asked, says the man-
ager, A. A. Woodbridge, of Boston, to
save the demand.

PERSONALITIES.

REV. DR. JUSTIN D. FULTON, of Brooklyn,
Y., lost the Riggs House.

H. H. WESTINGHOUSE and wife, of Pitts-
burgh, are registered at the Ebbitt.

JESSE R. GRANT, of New York, is at Wel-

where he will remain for a few days.

PRESIDENT and Mrs. CLEVELAND attended the funeral of Dr. Sunderland's church yesterday morning.

DR. H. B. BRAINARD, one of the largest and best contractors of Chicago, is in the city, and is stopping at Willard's.

C. E. HETTINGER, New York; H. S. PERCIVAL, Cincinnati, and W. M. Hatfield, San Francisco are at the National Hotel.

SPEAKER and Mrs. CARLISLE arrived at the Monroe yesterday afternoon on the revenue cutter Ewing from Washington.

The youngest child of Hon. and Mrs. J. M. Mason, which has been quite ill for the past week, is improving and now out of danger.

GEN. T. L. CINCINNATI, North Carolina, is

HALVOR NELSON, formerly of this city, came all the way from Detroit, Mich., to see the fair of the National Division No. 2, U. R. P., and all the knights are booming the wares.

E. F. LEONARD, of Peoria, Ill., preside the T. P. & W. railroad, who has been in this city on business before the interstate commerce commission, returned to New York yesterday.

JOSEPH TREASUREN TANNER, of Illinois, accompanied by H. C. Darwin, of his state, has been in this city and New York on news connected with that office, will return to his day.